## Grace H. Wolf Biography (Jan 2015)

**Grace Han Wolf,** a resident of Herndon since 1999, is serving her third term on the Herndon Town Council. She is the first Korean American woman elected to office in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

During her first term on the Town Council, Wolf chaired the town's Economic Development Task Force, which provided recommendations for growing the town's commercial base. She represents the town as advisory director on the Committee for Dulles Board of Directors and as a member of the Fairfax County Economic Advisory Commission. She also serves on the Virginia Municipal League's (VML) Community and Economic Development Policy Committee and is a Certified Local Government Official, as designated by VML's Virginia Elected Officials Leadership Academy.

Wolf has served the Herndon community as president and board member of the Council for the Arts of Herndon (CAH) and received its Platinum Achievement Award in 2014; as a member of the Herndon Festival Committee; and as a member of the Asian Business Committee of the Dulles Regional Chamber of Commerce. She has also served as a Girl Scout troop leader.

In 2006, Wolf was the recipient of the Town of Herndon's prestigious Distinguished Service Award, recognizing her commitment to volunteerism in the town; and she was a member of the Leadership Fairfax Class of 2007. She has received the Volunteer Fairfax Benchmark Service Award annually since 2007, and in 2012 she received the Public Service Award from the Asian American Chamber of Commerce. In 2013, Wolf will be recognized as one of "The Influential Women of Virginia" by Virginia Lawyers Media, an award that recognizes the outstanding efforts of women in all fields, including law, business, health care and education in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

In 2014, Wolf was appointed by Governor Terry McAuliffe to the Virginia Commission for the Arts as Commissioner and was appointed to the Board of Directors for the Arts Council of Fairfax, as well as the Fairfax County Park Authority. Wolf is an active member of the regional AAPI community and is one of the founding members of the Jade Philanthropy Society, a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to encourage and facilitate local philanthropy by Asian Americans in the Washington, DC metropolitan area. She serves on the Board of Directors for the Korean American Community Center, the Korean American Scholarship Foundation – Eastern Region, the Asian American Chamber of Commerce and is a member of KOWIN DC (Korean Womens' International Network).

Recently a small business owner, Wolf has held positions in finance and accounting at IBM Consulting, Deloitte and Touche Management Consulting, Dun & Bradstreet and Bankers Trust. She holds a BA in Economics and an MBA in Finance and Strategy, both from Cornell University. Wolf lives in Herndon with her daughter.